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In re:

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# RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated June 5, 2001, Applicant hereby submits a substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing" and a substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", to replace the ones previously filed on January 26, 1999, and October 9, 2000.

SEQ ID NOS: 1 and 2 of the substitute sequence listing have been ammended to define the nucleotide feature "n" as "A, T, C, or G", and the amino acid feature "Xaa" as "unknown". The substitute sequence listing has also been amended to identify the location of these features in the sequence. It is submitted that the amendments, made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.825(a), included in the substitute sheets of the sequence listing, do not include new matter.

I hereby state that the substitute copy of the computer-readable form, submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.825(b), is the same as the amended sequence listing.

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Applicant must file the items indicated below within the time period set the Office action to which the Notice is attached to avoid abandonment under 35 U.S.C. § 133 (extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)).				
The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):				
1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998).				
2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).				
3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).				
4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."				
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The communication filed 13 October 2000 is not fully responsive to the Office communication mailed 25 September 2000 for the reason(s) set forth on the attached Notice To Comply With The Sequence Rules or CRF Diskette Problem Report. Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §§ 131 and 132.

Since the reply appears to be <u>bona fide</u> attempt to comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE** (1) **MONTH** from the mailing date of this communication within which to correct the deficiency so as to comply with the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) in order to avoid abandonment of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Lisa Gansheroff, Art Unit 1636, whose telephone number is (703) 605-1203.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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PRIMARY EXAMINER